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SUBJECT: COCOM LIST REVIEW-IL 1510-UNDERWATER LOCATION  
EQUIPMENT

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SUMMARY: JAPAN WITHDREW ITS PROPOSALS TO EXCLUDE CERTAIN  
POPULAR FISH-FINDING SONARS FROM EMBARGO AND INSTEAD  
PROPOSED TO TREAT THEM UNDER AN ADMINISTRATIVE EXCEPTION  
NOTE. ASSEMBLED TECHNICAL EXPERTS REACHED CONSENSUS ON  
THE TECHNICAL FORMAT FOR THE NOTE. ACTION REQUESTED:  
INSTRUCTIONS SHOULD AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE OF THE NOTE BE-  
FORE ROUND III. END SUMMARY.

1. ON APRIL 8, JAPAN WITHDREW ITS PROPOSAL TO EXCLUDE  
CERTAIN KINDS OF FISH-FINDING SONAR IN FAVOR OF ADDING A  
NEW ADMINISTRATIVE EXCEPTION NOTE. THAT PROPOSAL WAS  
ACCEPTABLE TO ALL DELEGATIONS (FRANCE AD REF) EXCEPT  
THE US AND ITALY WHICH RESERVED FOR STUDY AND CANADA  
WHICH RESERVED ON THE 20 KHZ FIGURE (II) BUT ACCEPTED  
THE REMAINDER.

2. AS AMENDED DURING THE DISCUSSION THE JAPANESE NOTE  
READS AS FOLLOWS: "GOVERNMENTS MAY PERMIT THE EXPORT OF  
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THE FOLLOWING:

(I) PULSE MODULATED, SINGLE BEAM SEARCHLIGHT TYPE EQUIPMENT, SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR SURVEY OF GEOGRAPHICAL AND/OR TOPOGRAPHICAL FEATURES AT THE BOTTOM OF SEA-WATERS AND USING ONLY GRAPHIC RECORDING METHODS WITH TRANSDUCER MOVEMENT ACHIEVED BY STEP-BY-STEP MECHANICAL MEANS AND HAVING A MAXIMUM DETECTING RANGE OF 300 M OR LESS, A FREQUENCY EXCEEDING 100 KHZ, A TRANSDUCER BEAM WIDTH OF 3 DEGREES OR MORE AT HALF POWER POINT (3 DB DOWN) AND A TRANSDUCER INPUT OF 2.5 KW (PEAK PULSE) OR LESS.

(II) PULSE MODULATED SINGLE BEAM SEARCHLIGHT FISH AND/OR WHALE FINDING EQUIPMENT OTHER THAN THOSE REFERRED TO IN THE EXCLUSION CLAUSE ABOVE, WITH TRANSDUCER MOVEMENT ACHIEVED BY STEP-BY-STEP MECHANICAL MEANS AND HAVING A MAXIMUM DETECTING RANGE OF 2.000 M OR LESS, AND A FREQUENCY BETWEEN 20 KHZ AND 100 KHZ, A TRANSDUCER BEAM WIDTH OF 10 DEGREES OR MORE AT HALF POWER POINT (3 DB DOWN) AND A TRANSDUCER INPUT OF 10 KW (PEAK PULSE) OR LESS."

3. AMENDMENTS WERE INTRODUCED TO CLARIFY THAT ONLY SINGLE BEAM PULSE MODULATED SEARCHLIGHT TYPES ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AE TREATMENT AND THAT THOSE USING ADVANCED MATERIALS AND DOME TECHNIQUES OR ARRAYS (TYPICAL TO MILITARY USES) WOULD BE RETAINED UNDER FULL EMBARGO.

4. THE GERMAN EXPERT PRESENTED BROCHURES ON FOLLOWING BLOC FISH FINDERS: SOVIET TARTUS OPERATING AT A LOW-FREQUENCY OF 19.7 KHZ AND OMULE AT 25.5 KHZ AND EAST GERMAN HAG 432 AT 20 KHZ WHICH HE HAD USED HIMSELF. HE NOTED THAT MOST WESTERN FISH-FINDING SONARS OPERATE AT 20 OR 24 KHZ. CANADA HAD AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT (II) WITH A 25 KHZ LOW FREQUENCY AND RESERVED WHEN THE GERMAN DEL STATED THAT HE COULD NOT ACCEPT ANYTHING HIGHER THAN 20 KHZ.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: INSTRUCTIONS SHOULD AUTHORIZE THE LIFTING OF THE US RESERVE ON THIS MODEST COMMITMENT BEFORE ROUND III.

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